



SITUATION REPORT TO ALBERTA JUSTICE AND SOLICITOR GENERAL PUBLIC SECURITY DIVISION

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PURPOSE: For the information of the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, Public Security Division. This Situation Report contains information that is presently available to provide the immediate status of the occurrence. Further information shall be provided in a supplemental Situation Report prepared if required.

ISSUE:

- A summary of the updated information presented at the RCMP DEOC Gold/Silver/Bronze Commander's meeting at 1300 hours on 2022-01-29.
- The status of the province-wide trucker convoy protests (moving vehicle rallies) being held on January 29, 2022 at various locations throughout the province of Alberta.

BACKGROUND:

- RCMP K DEOC has been activated for this event, and will coordinate information and tasking through this central point.
- This is the second of 3 teleconferences to be held at the DEOC today.
- There are a number of events that are occurring throughout the province today, with a number of groups containing a large number of vehicles planning to head to Edmonton to meet at the Legislature.
- The area of highest concern remains the Coutts border crossing and surrounding area.

CURRENT STATUS:

- Southern Alberta District (SAD):
 - 2 one-tonne trucks are blocking the southbound lane of Highway 4, 5 km north of Coutts. The northbound lane is free-flowing.
 - RCMP to maintain ongoing communication at the roadblocks and provide them with the information document previously prepared.
 - RCMP will maintain contact with organizers, continue to speak with them about the restrictions and planned highway blockades, the Community Consultative Management Group (CCMG) for this area has been engaged.
 - On the US side of the border, approximately 150 people are on foot, however, they are being dealt with by the US agencies and don't appear to be attempting to cross the border



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- 3 media outlets (from Lethbridge and Calgary) are in the area.
- Central Alberta District (CAD):
 - All detachments that are affected in CAD are engaged, maintaining communication with Edmonton Police Service (EPS) as traffic moves from RCMP into EPS jurisdiction.
 - Traffic slow-downs on Highways 16 and 60 are mostly cleared
 - Highway 2 between Highway 19 and 41st Ave in Edmonton is very slow-moving due to volume of traffic
 - RCMP DEOC will be tracking all incoming information and passing it on to the involved agencies as required.
- Eastern Alberta District (EAD):
 - Fort McMurray: approximately 200 vehicles (semi trucks and passenger vehicles) driving around, have slowed the highway in the center of the city to a standstill with the volume, creating traffic disruptions, RCMP is keeping the City informed of the situation.
 - The group of approximately 125 vehicles (some semi trucks but mostly passenger vehicles) has met convoys from Grande Prairie and Whitecourt at Highway 43 & 33 intersection and is headed to the Acheson area.
- Western Alberta District (WAD):
 - Any groups appear to be dispersing, no disruptions.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- Special Tactical Operations (STO) has plans in place to respond to the situation.
- Federal Section is coordinating air support.
- RCMP extra resources being planned for all locations with reported protests/convoys.
- Road blocks and traffic tie-ups (primarily on already busy routes such as Highway 2) are an area of concern and will be constantly monitored.
- Ongoing monitoring and communication throughout the day, 3 Gold/Silver/Bronze videoconferences to be held throughout the day to provide updates.
- RCMP Operational Communication Centre to provide updated information to DEOC when called in by the public.
- Continuous managing of resources and responding accordingly to changing situations.



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STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS:

- Have put out a number of social media posts on the Alberta RCMP Twitter and Facebook accounts re: Coutts; Carway; Parkland (Highway 16); Alberta-wide. No media releases are being done at this time, all updates are coming out through social media for public safety.
- Communications have been established with organizers of convoy groups and will be monitored throughout the day
- Social media is being monitored.

MEMBER / EMPLOYEE WELLNESS:

- N/A

CONDUCT / CIVIL RISK ASSESSMENT:

- N/A

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